

Cal OES Daily Situation Report

February 8, 2015



Round Fire, Inyo/Mono Counties – 02/07/15
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Note: [Report changes/updates are in blue](#)

SITUATION SUMMARY

Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties

Per CAL FIRE and Cal OES Duty Officers as of 02/08/15 at 0900 hours:

- Location: West of Highway 395 at the Sherwin Grade
- Acreage: 7,000 acres, 65% containment
- Approximately 40 residences have been destroyed as well as several out buildings
- 5 residences damaged
- 10 Local Government engines and 2 water tenders remain assigned to the incident
- The unincorporated communities of Swall Meadows and Paradise have been placed under an mandatory evacuation order. The Sheriff's department conducted door to door evacuation notifications for 183 homes, affecting 470 residents. As of 2000 hours on 02/07/15, 183 homes have been evacuated.
- Voluntary evacuations are in place for Lower Rock Creek, Sunny Slopes, and Tom's Place.
- Cal OES Law Enforcement Branch reports that current intel suggests there has been no loss of life.
- The Incident Command Team held a community meeting at 1800 hours on 02/07/15 at the Round Valley Elementary School. The meeting was attended by approximately 250 residents and response personnel. Re-entry was addressed, which will be allowed when all life safety issues are mitigated. Only emergency response personnel are being allowed access to evacuated areas at this time.
- Shelters: An unofficial Local Assistance Center has been established at Crowley Lake Community Center with Red Cross and Salvation Army providing assistance, located at 458 S. Landing Road, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546. Many displaced residents are staying with friends and family. A lodge called Tom's Place has offered free rooms to fire victims.
- An updated Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) has been submitted to Cal OES and has been placed on hold.
- A Fire and Rescue Region Assistant Chief, a Law Enforcement Branch Assistant Chief, and a Cal OES Southern Region ESC are assigned to the incident.
- Recent precipitation aided firefighting efforts.
- Cal OES Duty Officers continue to monitor the incident.
- This report will be updated as information becomes available.

Proclamation

A Proclamation from Mono County has been received proclaiming the existence of a local emergency due to drought, wind, fire, and storm; which began on 02/06/2015. There are no requests for State assistance.

Utilities

- There is no power to the Round Valley area as 50 Southern California Edison (SCE) power poles were burnt and power lines are down. SCE is on scene working to replace the damaged poles and downed power lines to restore power. Cellular service is spotty; Verizon is working to restore damaged cable.
- Cellular communication is spotty and may require assistance with a COW (cell on wheels) or a repeater. Cal OES TDO authorized the use of a COW and CUEA is working on filling this request.



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Van Dyke Fire, Mono County

Per ICS-209, CAL FIRE, and Cal OES Duty Officers as of 02/08/15 at 0800 hours:

- Location: Point Ranch, South of Bridgeport
- Unified Command with BLM, USFS, Bridgeport Fire
- 450 acres, 75% contained
- 0 structures threatened
- High winds continue to hamper suppression efforts.
- Fire is burning in scattered sage, pinyon juniper and grass. Some fuels are not being fully consumed creating reburn potential.
- Evacuations: LDO also advised per Mono County, evacuations were lifted for the 20 homes previously evacuated in Bridgeport.
- Shelters: An evacuation shelter has been established at Bridgeport Memorial Hall located at 73 N. School Street, Bridgeport, CA 93517.
Current Population Count - 0
- No State resources committed
- 3 Local Government Engines assigned.
- At 1946 hours on 02/06/15, CUEA advised per an on-site Southern California Edison manager, one out-building burned and one regulator building was destroyed in the fire. 748 customers are impacted due to the destroyed regulator building, but 1,500 customers total are impacted by this fire. No estimated time of restoration at this time.
- LDO advised the previous generator request has been cancelled after having a discussion with CUEA. The facility damaged by the fire is still in-accessible as a result of the fire. Repair crews are standing by and will make repairs as soon as feasible
- Power outage in Bridgeport affecting communication infrastructure. Per PSC, a temporary radio fix was installed which restored 911 service to the area. Mono County Sheriff is now taking their own 911 calls. 911 calls were previously sent to alternate PSAP Inyo County Sheriff due to a burned fiber optic cable in the area.
- Cal OES Duty Officers and CUEA continue to monitor the incident.
- As of this morning the Sheriff's Dept. advises there is landline service in Bridgeport, but cellular service is down.
- This morning Mono County Sheriff Braun notified the LDO that she had proclaimed an emergency as of 1407 hours on February 6.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Weather of Concern

- The atmospheric river (AR) is impacting Northern California and the second wave is today through Monday. This should be a significant rain event for much of Northern California. Highest confidence of heavy rainfall is north of Interstate 80. Rainfall amounts will be variable due to the showers and thunderstorms in the afternoon and evening today. Rainfall amounts expected to generally taper off on tonight into Monday. Snow will fall below pass levels this night into Monday with generally 6 to 18 inches possible above 7500 ft.
- All rivers will continue to recede until they respond to the rain expected on today. Rises today are not expected to be as significant as those of the last 24 hours. The main concern is high wind this afternoon and evening.
- A few inches of snow may be possible down to Lake Tahoe level, but main impacts will be for the Tahoe area passes. Anyone traveling over the passes this afternoon through Monday should be prepared for winter driving conditions and possible delays.
- As the cold front moves through tonight, winds will increase again...although not nearly as strong as what we saw on Friday.
- Impacts include:
 - Urban and small stream flooding
 - Main Stem River flooding possible (Ord Ferry, Tehama & Vina-Woodson Bridges, Colusa, Tisdale & Moulton Weir flows this weekend)
 - Potential for debris flows near wildfire burn scars
 - Localized power outages & downed trees due to southerly winds
 - Winter road conditions expected today near pass levels
 - Thunderstorms possible added impact
- The California Nevada River Forecast Center (CNRFC) shows that **zero** river points are above Flood Stage.
- Numerous High Wind Watches, Flash Flood Watches, and Flood Warnings are in place across portions of Northern California.

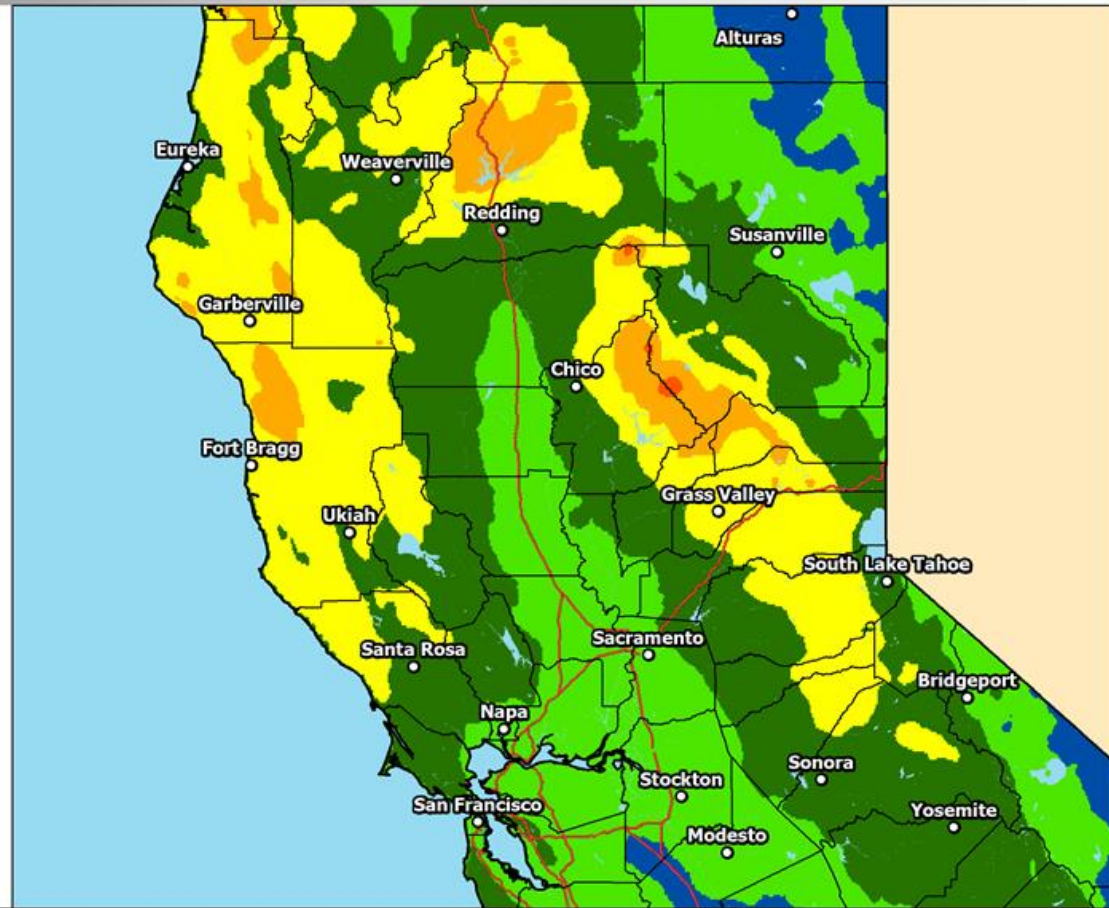
Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County: http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/wwa_bc_cal.php



Precipitation Forecast

Storm Total Rain Sunday into Monday

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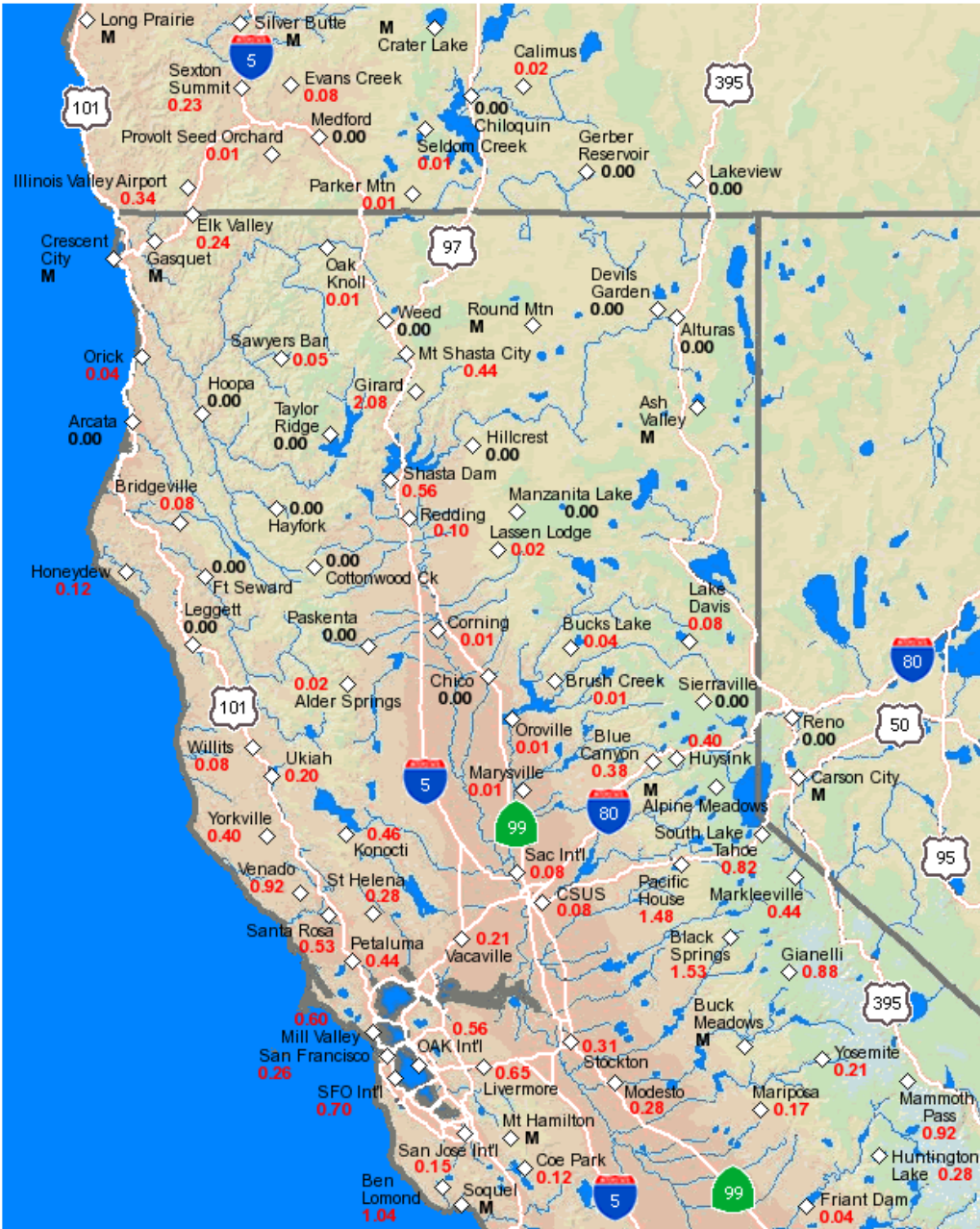
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24 Hour Precipitation (Inches) Ending Sun Feb 08 2015 at 09 AM PST
NOAA / NWS / California Nevada River Forecast Center



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SITUATION SUMMARY

Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Siskiyou County

- Evacuated approximately 15-20 trailer homes at the Gazelle Trailer Park due to rising creek waters that local officials were unable to mitigate. Cal Fire crew assisted with sandbagging and evacuation of Gazelle Trailer Park area. Resources have been released. Mission 2015-IREOC-8528 completed and closed.
- An evacuation shelter has been established and placed at standby at the Siskiyou County Fairgrounds, 1712 Fairlane Road, Yreka.
- There are numerous power outages and trees down countywide in addition to heavy rains and rising creeks.
- [No current needs or issues.](#)

Lassen County

- The Lassen Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 2005 River Street, Susanville has experienced significant exterior roof damage from the high winds. Open trusses are exposed in several locations. In addition there is a system-wide power outage in the area. County OES and Public Health have made a decision to evacuate the facility and temporarily move the residents to a medical shelter/alternate care site located at the Lassen County Fairgrounds, 195 Russell Avenue, Susanville. OES and local public health representatives are currently on site evaluating the situation. Roofers as well as a building inspector are en route to assist with facility evaluation.
- [Facility was re-opened late in the afternoon on 02/07/15 with Verbal Ok from State licensing board. Facility has enough room to repatriate the guest and patients in the undamaged building. The transfer of patients was completed during the evening on 02/07/15.](#)
- The medical shelter/ACS is being established with local caches of equipment from Lassen County and high Desert State Prison. Additional supplies from Butte, Plumas and Shasta counties have been identified in the event that they are needed. County OES and Public Health will re-evaluate and make decisions related to repatriation or longer term resident relocation. [Shelter/ACS closed last night, 02/07/15. It will remain set up until tomorrow, when it may be de-mobilized.](#)
- Majority of County power has been restored. They still have remote locations that will take some time to reach and repair.
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, [the CESRS radio on Shaffer Mountain is back on commercial power.](#) It is not on the state microwave as the link at Bunchgrass (aka Hatchet Mountain, in Shasta County) has lost power. [Microwave connectivity is impaired through Black Mt. in southern Lassen County near Plumas County. This will impact communications via the microwave system for CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET back to Sacramento. Radio techs are conducting repairs at Black Mt. Users of the system will only be able to use the repeaters locally.](#) Technicians are on site to bring the link back up.

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Inland Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

Plumas County

- A Proclamation from Plumas County has been received due a severe winter storm event bringing high winds and heavy rains resulting in loss of electrical power and communications, road blockages, structural damage, and hazardous material releases. A Governor's concurrence has been requested as well as a Presidential Declaration.
- Estimates are approximately 67 homes have suffered wind damage. Three schools and six public buildings are known to be damaged as well.
- Power has been restored to the Quincy Area.
- PG&E is working with local OES on outages and durations.
- The Chester Area is still with out power and OA is considering opening a Warming Center tomorrow if need is identified by Sheriffs Dispatch/calls for service.
- A spreadsheet of damages is being developed.
- The county continues to evaluate resource needs.
- Strike Team of Hand Crews mission tasked to assist in emergency debris/tree removal. Awaiting report on mission closure
- Per Cal OES Telecommunications, CESRS/CLERS/FIRE NET are impacted at Hough Mountain and is on generator power. Technicians are on site to bring the link back up.

Shasta County

- No issues on 02/07/15 and continues to monitor situation.

El Dorado County

- Three homes in Pollock Pines have been hit by one tree; evacuations are in progress. No shelters are needed at this time.
- There are multiple road closures due to trees down. Caltrans removed a tree from Highway 50, clearing an earlier closure.
- Localized flooding and multiple power outages are also affecting the county.

Missions

- **2015-IREOC-8532: Lassen:** Supplies are needed from a 50-bed field hospital to support the evacuation of a care home. Resource is located at High Desert Prison. Mission expected to close today.
- **2015-IREOC-8552: Plumas:** Cal FIRE hand crews to assist with tree debris removal from Lake Almanor Basin. Crew to be utilized during normal operational hours. Awaiting report from locals on mission completion.

SITUATION SUMMARY

Coastal Region - 2015 Statewide February Winter Storms

- The Cal OES Coastal Region Management and the Cal OES Coastal Duty Officer (CDO) have been and will continue to conduct regional conference calls with National Weather Service (NWS) Offices, State Partners, and Operational Areas (OAs) at 1100 and 1600 hours daily, in order to gather situational awareness, anticipate needs, and possible activations.
- Per the NWS, Mendocino is likely to be hardest hit, with impacts also possibly affecting Humboldt, Lake, Sonoma, and Marin Counties.
- The two staff staged at Mendocino and Lake Counties were released from duties on the night of 02/06/15.

Mendocino County

Mendocino County reported that as of 2100 hours on 2/07/15, that all County Microwave and Public Safety Radio systems are operational. Fort Bragg Microwave is on temporary power supply. PG&E power still out at Matheson and Cahto, both sites are on generator power. Total customers out in Mendocino are down to approximately 2,800 at the moment.

- The generator was fixed at approximately 0300 hours this morning, partial power restored to Fort Bragg Building. Microwave failed shortly after, found Microwave had lost power, entire power panel dead. They set up a temporary power supply, restored Microwave operation and FBPD radio, facilities dispatching electrician to troubleshoot power panel/feed issue.
- CUEA has run a network search for AT&T outages in Mendocino County and found none.
- There are still sporadic outages throughout the region with the largest numbers still in Mendocino. The Big River area has mostly been restored.

Del Norte County

Crescent City area including Smith River

Customers affected: Approximately 1,082 customers are without power

Estimated time of restoration: Crews are out in force and working to restore service as soon as possible

Klamath

Customers affected: Approximately 537 customers are without power

Estimated time of restoration: Crews are out in force and working to restore service as soon as possible

Utilities

- The PG&E San Francisco EOC, at 245 Market, is activated at Level 3 (mid-level activation) through Sunday for the upcoming weather event.
- As of 0700 hours on 02/08/15, PG&E is reporting approximately 15,2016 outages system-wide. PG&E has requested mutual aid to address latest outages.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Another strong system will move through Northwest California today bringing strong south winds, widespread rainfall, and scattered thunderstorms. Rain showers will linger through Monday and Monday night. A drying trend will commence by Tuesday as a ridge of high pressure builds over the West Coast.

Medford Weather:

A vertically stacked system will turn the corner and move north along the Pacific Northwest Coast today and Monday. Gradients and flow aloft will produce strong winds over much of the forecast area beginning later today and continuing through Monday. In general, the strongest winds will be over the mountains, coast, east side, and Shasta Valley. The forecast area will see a fair amount of rain over the next 36 hours. 1-3 inches of rain is expected over the coastal mountains and Siskiyou's with lesser amounts elsewhere. The wind dies down Monday evening, but rain will still be possible into Tuesday morning. A ridge then begins building over the Pacific Northwest midweek and may keep any more rain at bay all the way into next weekend.

Reno Weather:

Another low pressure system will provide gusty winds late this afternoon along with rain and mountain snowfall into Monday morning. Drier conditions will prevail by Tuesday as high pressure rebuilds across the region.

San Francisco Weather:

A Pacific weather system will spread rain across the entire region today. Rain could be heavy at times and there is a chance of thunderstorms during the afternoon and evening. In addition, strong and gusty south winds are expected through this evening. Rain will turn to showers by tonight with showers lingering into Monday. High pressure will begin to build over California on Tuesday resulting in dry and mild weather for the remainder of the week into next weekend.



WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY

Sacramento Weather:

Today the forecast area will be windy again as another storm system moves through bringing heavy rain and potentially severe thunderstorms into the evening. Lingered showers on Monday and then drier conditions return on Tuesday.

Hanford Weather:

Rain and very high elevation light snow will continue through the weekend tapering off by Monday. High pressure will return by Tuesday producing dry weather and patchy nighttime and morning fog in the San Joaquin Valley through the remainder of next week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

A second low pressure system will likely bring rain and a slight chance of thunderstorms to the Central Coast today through this evening, with a chance of rain as far south as Ventura County. A ridge of high pressure and gusty offshore winds will develop next week bringing drier and much warmer weather.

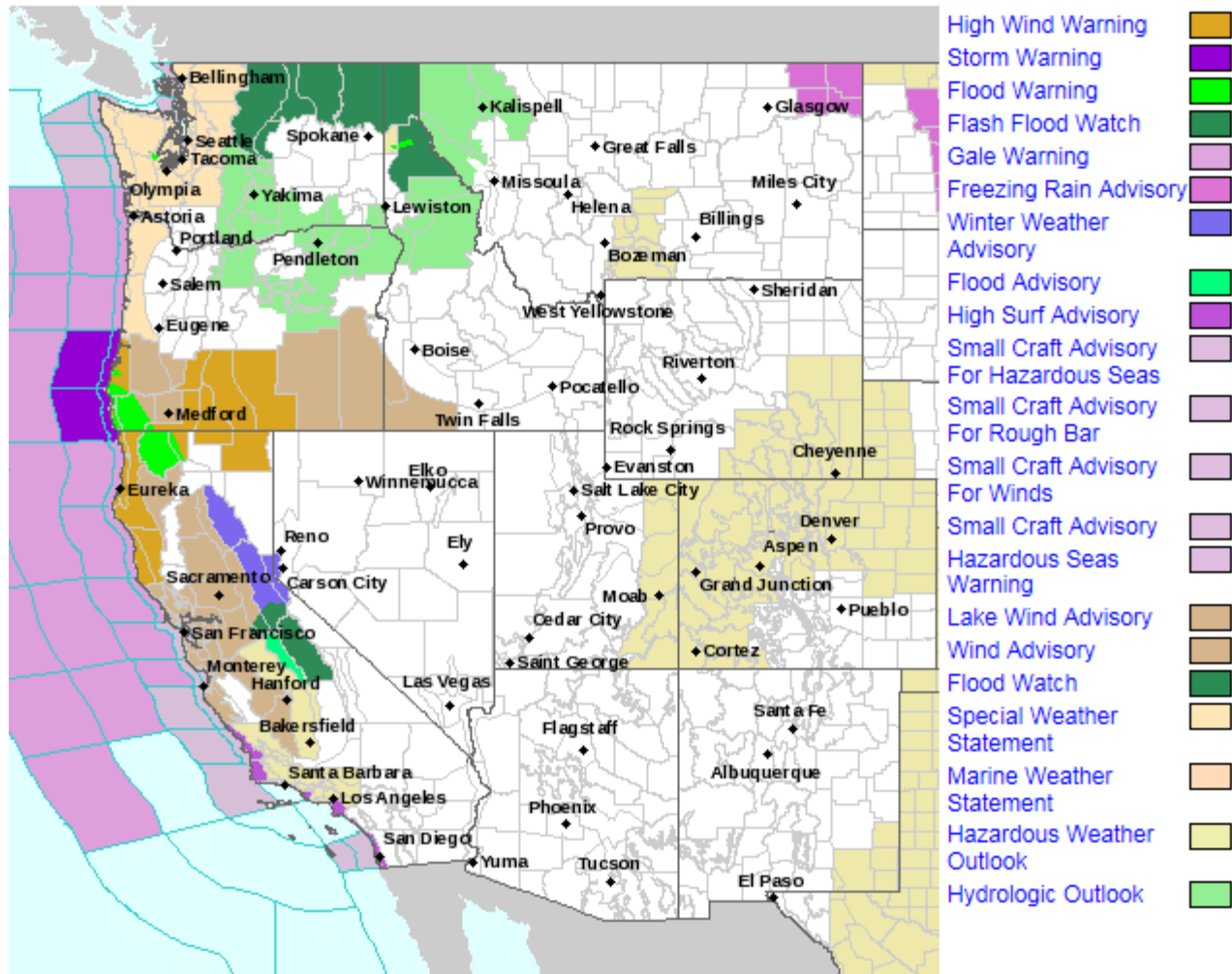
Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

A trough of low pressure off the West Coast will move inland through Monday with a weaker trough moving inland early Tuesday. This will direct substantial moisture into Northern and Central California and maintain onshore flow with less moisture for Southern California. There will be gusty southwest to west winds in the mountains and deserts through early Tuesday with small chances for very light precipitation at times from the coast inland to the mountains. For Wednesday through Saturday, it will be warmer and dry with weak to moderate gusty northeast to east winds.

Southeast California Weather:

High pressure will continue to dominate the weather over the region for the next several days resulting in mostly clear skies and much above normal temperatures. High temperatures in the lower to middle 80s will be common before a slight cooling trend by the middle of the week. Most locations will experience warm tranquil weather throughout the week.

STATE WEATHER MAP



Last map update: Feb, 8th 2015 at 10:50:18 am MST



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

Magnitude 6.0 Earthquake, American Canyon, Napa County

- Cal OES and FEMA announced that the Major Disaster declaration for the South Napa earthquake will also include the Individuals and Households Program under the Stafford Act. This amendment makes assistance available to help homeowners and renters recover from the earthquake.
- As a result of President Obama's major disaster declaration, the U.S. Small Business Administration declared Napa and Solano counties, making residents and business owners eligible to apply for low-interest physical loss disaster loans. This declaration also made available low-interest Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses to apply in the primary counties of Napa and Solano, as well as the contiguous counties of Contra Costa, Lake, Sacramento, Sonoma, and Yolo.

Recovery Activities

Public Assistance

- RPA: 63 RPAs were received and 15 have withdrawn for a total of 48 FEMA approved open applications.
- Kickoff Meeting: 56 Kickoff Meetings have been completed leaving 1 remaining to be scheduled once through FEMA's review queue. It is currently anticipated all kickoff meetings will be complete by 1/31/2015.
- Currently, 95 PWs are entered into the federal database system, 78 of which have been obligated.
- Exit Briefing: 19 applicants have had Exit briefings conducted.

Individual Assistance

- The FEMA and State VAL continue to work with nonprofit organizations in Napa and Solano Counties regarding Long Term Recovery efforts. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing funds to hire initial case management staff for the Napa Earthquake Recovery Group (aka, eNERGy) and the Vallejo Earthquake Recovery Group (VERG). Both Long Term Recovery Groups are seeking funds from partner agencies to assist with unmet needs.
- Assistance Centers – The Local Assistance Center (LAC) in Napa transitioned to an SBA DLOC on Tuesday 12/30/14. The smaller operation maintains a presence by SBA staff. Hours of operation are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

2014 Statewide December Winter Storms

- On 12/22/14, Governor Brown proclaimed a State of Emergency in Marin, Mendocino, San Mateo, and Ventura Counties to allow Caltrans to formally request immediate assistance through FHWA's ER Program in order to obtain federal assistance for highway repairs or reconstruction for damages sustained as a result of the statewide storms impacting California. After assessing the damages, Caltrans is requesting the Governor update his proclamation to include Alameda, Contra Costa, Del Norte, Humboldt, Lake, Los Angeles, Monterey, Orange, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Shasta, Sonoma, Tehama, and Yolo Counties. Cal OES' Recovery Section conducted an assessment to verify the Counties of Lake, Marin, San Mateo, Sonoma, and Tehama's Public Assistance estimates for debris removal, emergency work, and permanent restoration of public facilities in order to determine potential eligibility for State funding.

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning February 9, 2015.



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.